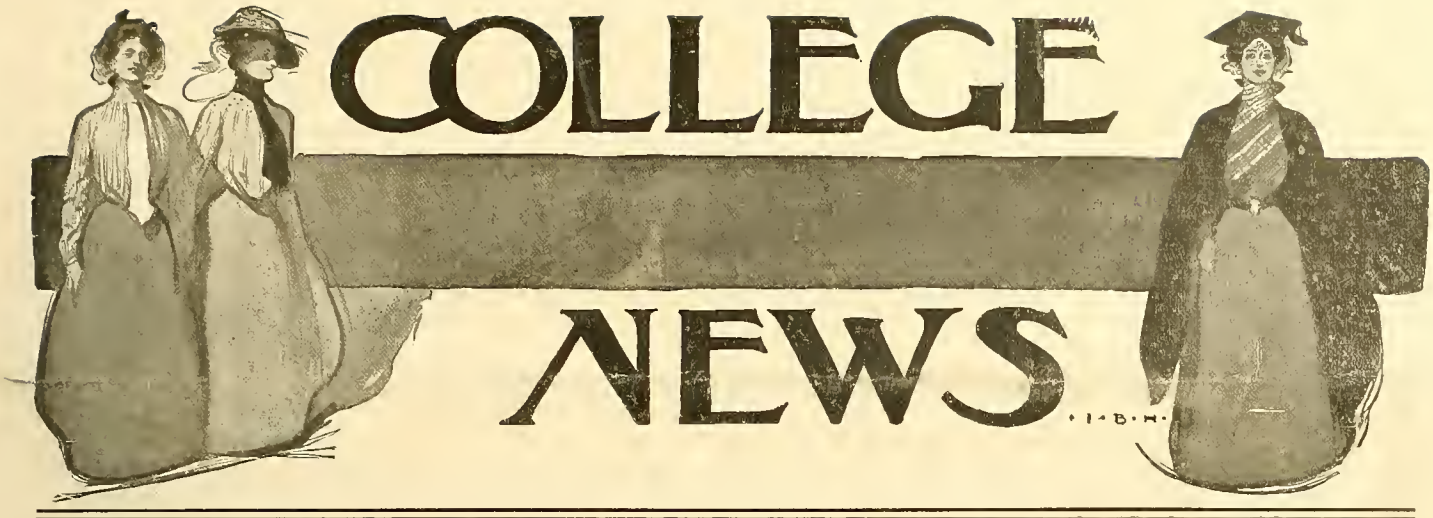


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## The Elocution Recital.

The annual recital given by the students in the Elocution Department on May the eleventh, was enjoyed by a very large audience. Previous recitals have always proved enjoyable, not only because we like to hear our friends "speak pieces," but because we all enjoy a well-finished recital.

The program on Monday night was an interesting one, both in the choice of selections and in their interpretation by individual students. Miss Beemer, Miss Torrence, Miss Sibyl Baker and Miss Weatherbee all did excellent work in their selections, which showed great individuality of conception. The scene from "Pericles, Prince of Tyre," given by Miss Daniels and Miss Katherine Page was the best part of the evening. At no time were we so completely lifted out of ourselves as in this scene,—the imagination displayed was wonderful. Various scenes from "Much Ado about Nothing" were given by members of the department. Miss Batt as "Benedick" and Miss Bass as "Leonato" were fine, manly gentlemen, and Miss Steane, as "Don Pedro," had a laugh which was most contagious. Miss Woodbury sang two charming songs in these scenes.

Altogether, the recital was most satisfactory, showing the effect of good training in form without any loss of individual force and vigor of conception.

E. S. B., 1904.

## "Debates and Forensics."

On Wednesday, May 13, the day the final forensics were handed in, the class of 1904 celebrated their passing out of the realm of Junior English. As usual the members of both the debating and forensic classes appeared at chapel in a body, dressed in a manner suitable to the occasion, the girls of the forensic classes in white for festive attire, but with hair gray through the trials of the past year; the debating classes in black, mourning that their trials were not yet over. After chapel, the class marched to College Hall where the following verses were sung with much spirit and appreciation.

"Here we come a' moaning forth, our woeful, woeful fate.
To get through our forensics we all sit up mighty late.
And still the poor debaters are a-coming by the freight.
Down with debates and forensics.

CHORUS:

Hurrah, Hurrah, forensic and debate!
Hurrah, Hurrah, the only thing we hate;
We've triumphed over English and the tale we now relate,
Down with debates and forensics.

Here we come a' singing of a merry little song,
Debates we've had a plenty and forensics hard and long,
But we have kept our spirits up and still our hearts are strong,
Down with debates and forensics.

## The Studio Reception.

The Studio Reception of the Society Tau Zeta Epsilon was held in the Barn Saturday evening, May 16th. The Barn was uniquely and artistically decorated with old tapestries, rugs, armor and antique brass and silver kindly lent by artists in Boston. Noticeable among the decorations were several beautiful and interesting pictures,—copies of a Rembrandt, lent by Miss Hazard, of a Velasquez, lent by Miss Brown, of a Murillo, lent by Miss Sherwood, five marine studies, by Mr. Woodbury, and several studies by students of the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

The following presentations of pictures from Masters of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries were given.

1. Infanta Marguerita,
Velasquez,
Miss Turney.
2. William II of Nassau,
Van Dyck,
Miss Knowlton.
3. Helena Fourment,
Rubens,
Miss de Rochemont.
4. Detail, from the Education of the Virgins,
Rubens,
Misses Cook and Taylor.
5. Man in Armor,
Van Dyck,
Miss Fenton.
6. Lady with the Fan,
Rembrandt,
Miss Reynolds.
7. Moenippus,
Velasquez,
Miss Schöpperle.
8. Pope Innocent X,
Velasquez,
Miss Crosby.

The pictures given this year show a marked improvement over those given last year, indicative of the advance made each year. In fact, it was a remarkably finished production, showing a great deal of earnest and conscientious work and commendable attention to detail. The fine effects produced in light and shade were especially noticeable. In the intervals between the pictures, there was music by a trio,—violin, 'cello and piano.

Miss Brown and Miss Sherrard received with the President, and Vice-President of the Society,—Lucy Hegeman and Florence Noera.

The out-of-town Faculty members present were Miss Carlisle and Miss Puffer. The following alumnæ were present:

Mary Tyler Jones, '90.
Mary Whitlock Carleton, '92.
Edith Butler, '96.
Warrene Piper, '97.
Grace Dennison Bancroft, '97.
Margaret Starr Dowst, '97.
Maud Williston Clark, '99.
Mabel Wood, '99.
Rebecca White, 1900.
Isadore C. Rogers, 1901
Ethel Louise Sanborn, 1902.
Miriam Berry Wood, 1902.

# College News.

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Now that Wellesley has joined the League for the promotion of the interests of the International Institute for girls in Spain, we realize that we, as a college, are henceforth associated with a great and noble project,—the carrying of education and all the attendant benefits to the women of a conquered country. What the results of this movement will be we cannot know, but it is probable that they will be more far-reaching than we can now foresee.

As a report of the proposed buildings and equipment for the International Institute was printed in the News a few weeks ago, we will not speak of this, but a few words with regard to our opportunity to contribute to the work seem timely. Next Saturday, May 23, there will be a meeting in Boston of delegates from all the women's colleges in Massachusetts to discuss ways and means of carrying on this work. We are proud to be able to report that Wellesley College has joined the League, that it is the second college in the State to do this. It is to be hoped that besides this information, our representatives may take with them a substantial sum of money as an earnest of good feeling and support.

If every student in college would give ten cents, we could send nearly ninety dollars; if only one half of the whole number of students gave twenty-five cents each, we should be able to send one hundred dollars.

Any one wishing to secure a life membership in the League, may do so by the payment of five dollars. Each one of us can give a few cents, at least, and let us do it gladly and promptly. There is not time to attempt a canvass of the whole college, so will all members of the college send contributions, large or small, to Edith Moore, by or before Saturday noon.

We feel very proud that our college is identified with a great national movement and we ought to count it a privilege to help, even though ever so slightly, in erecting this "monument to peace."

At the meeting in Boston held in January in the interests of the International Institute, President Tucker spoke of the opportunity to identify "ourselves with a movement of which men will say in later time: 'Would that we had been able to take part in the beginning!' "

It has been suggested that the News announce each week the members of the editorial board to whom articles for the different departments may be sent. All articles should be in the hands of the editors by Friday noon of each week.

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| College Notes, Parliament of Fools, | Mabel Seagrave |
| Free Press, | Helen Norton |
| Alumnæ Notes, | Miss Shackford |
| Society Notes, | Ellen Manchester |


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## COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Saturday, May 23, 7.30, P. M., play at the Barn given by members of the Junior class.
Sunday, May 24, 11, A. M., services in Houghton Memorial chapel, sermon by the Rev. William R. Huntington of New York city.
7, P. M., vesper service, special music.
Monday, May 25, 3, P. M., at the Barn, a play by the Wellesley College Chapter of the College Settlement Association.
7.30, P. M., in College Hall chapel, lecture by Mr. Curtis Guild.
Tuesday, May 25, 4 to 6, P. M., exhibition of pupils' work at the Art Building.
Friday, May 29, 4.15, P. M., presentation of "Everyman" on the college campus.
8, P. M., presentation of "The Sad Shepherd."
Sunday, May 31, 11, A. M., services in Houghton Memorial chapel, sermon by Rev. Alexander McKenzie of Cambridge.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

The following members of the Faculty will be absent from College next year: Professors Willcox and Kendall, Associate Professors Cooley, Hart and Walton.

The many friends of Fräulein Mitzlaff have heard with regret of her resignation from the Department of German. Since then, she has accepted a position as instructor in German with more advanced and more responsible work at the new Simmons College in Boston.

The Amherst College Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will give a concert in the Town Hall on May 23d, at 8, P.M. The clubs are reported to be excellent this year, and have had a very successful tour through the west, going as far as Chicago. The concert is given to raise funds for the Convalescent Home.

Mrs. Ellen H. Richards, author of a text book used by the students in Food Analysis, addressed the class for a few minutes last Thursday. Mrs. Richards is an instructor in Sanitary Chemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has written much on various subjects connected with sanitation.

At the meeting of the Faculty Science Club, on Tuesday, May 12, Professor Ferguson read a paper on "Fertilization of Pines." The paper embodied the interesting results of her own research.

Miss Olive L. Hollister, 1906, has withdrawn from college.

Miss Penny of the Chemistry Department leaves to teach in her aunt's school in Newark, New Jersey. The school is well-known to many as Miss Townsend's. Miss Annie Philbrick, 1902, will be an assistant in the department.

The houses will be open for the Freshmen to inspect rooms on May 21, 22, and 23 from 4 until 8, P. M. On Thursday, May 21, at 9, A. M., the Freshmen are to draw their numbers and on Monday, at 8.15, A. M., they choose their rooms.

At a recent meeting of the class of 1905 Helen Cook was elected Junior member of the Executive Board of the Student Government Association.

All electives must be handed in not later than Saturday, June sixth.

The Student Government Association, at its last meeting, voted to hold all meetings next year at 4.15, P. M., on the last Tuesday of each month. A petition was sent to the Academic Council requesting that this time be kept free from all academic appointments.

"Sunbonnets," the play to be given by the Wellesley Chapter of the College Settlement Association, was written by a Radcliffe girl, and has been given twice in Cambridge with great success. The play is given for the benefit of a settlement for pure whites in the mountains of Kentucky. This settlement is in the charge of a former Wellesley student. An admittance of fifteen cents will be charged. Guests are allowed.


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## FREE PRESS.

I.

So far in the discussions concerning electioneering which have been appearing in the Free Press column for the last two weeks, the Freshmen have taken no part. In one sense this is as it should be for 1906 has figured passively as the thing manipulated, and the discussion, carried on over its head, has had to do with the way in which it was manipulated.

But in another sense the voice of 1906 is all important. In any trial statements must be verified by witnesses. "I did" is not sufficient, but "I saw him do it—he did it to me" carries convincing and convicting weight. So while 1906 is'not accused and is not accusing, yet it is a witness, and as such its evidence is to be considered.

Statements were made in the Free Press article of May 6 which were not proved, and it is concerning one of these that I write. The writer said, "personal visits, unapparent enough in their ostensible aim, decided Dover street and Blossom street." What authority she had I do not know and have been unable to discover, but we who live on Dover street read her statement with astonishment. Not only was our vote absolutely and entirely uninfluenced by any such visits, but we can even affirm that practically no such visits were made. This is no unsupported nor limited assertion. I speak with the authority of careful inquiries and investigation on Dover street and in its immediate vicinity.

In every house I found surprise at the statement, and bewilderment concerning its source, as well as a desire to have it publicly disproved. 1906.

II.

Many of the village Freshmen were somewhat puzzled when they heard that there was electioneering done in the village before the Student Government election. None of us, however, are well enough acquainted in the village to speak for it as a whole. But we do know that there were many Freshmen who voted because they were interested in Student Government, because they knew the candidates either personally or by reputation, and had made up their minds as to which girl they humbly thought would best fill the important office of Student Government president. On the other hand we admit that there were girls in the village who were persuaded to vote for a particular candidate by their friends—friends whom we thought were always from among the Freshmen before the College News came out. These girls were persuaded because they had not had an opportunity to decide for themselves and because they thought their friends had had such an opportunity.

Why did these girls vote at all? Many of them had read the Free Press article in the College News saying that it was the duty of every student to vote; others voted because they felt for the first time since coming to college that they had more than a nominal part in the Student Government, that it really meant more to them than Faculty Government—a fact which some Freshmen doubt.

Some Freshmen did vote irrationally; but is that a reason for disfranchising the whole Freshman class? Is that a reason for refusing the vote to those who think for themselves? Even if our vote should happen to influence an election, is the rest of the college injured? Are not all the nominees, girls chosen almost entirely by the upper classes, worthy of holding office? We do not vote for our Freshman year, we vote for our Sophomore year. If the Freshmen should be refused the ballot, they would be unrepresented in the Student Government until their Junior year. As mere nonentities they would, as Sophomores, still continue to have the Freshman point of view. They would never have the great awakening of interest, of a sense of responsibility for the success and welfare of Student Government which has come to us this year.

It is admitted that electioneering does exist, that it is a disgrace to Wellesley. But is it the best remedy to have the Freshman class wait two years before taking any part in the elections? Are we so weak that we cannot put a stop to electioneering because it is an evil in itself? If next year before the election there should appear in the College News, instead of an article imploring everyone to vote, a strong article telling the

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Freshmen the importance of the election and advising them not to vote unless they had actually formed an opinion; if such an article should appear would not "the fruitful source" of electioneering be greatly lessened? Would it be necessary to dull the interest of the Freshman class by refusing them the ballot?

1906.

III.

The object of the Free Press is to allow freedom of speech and discussion of any subject of interest to the college at large. That such discussion should arouse violent feeling is most regrettable, and yet it has not seemed right that the expression of strong opinion on a vital matter should be refused admittance. The writer of the article on undue electioneering wrote it, I understand, only after discussion, and in it endeavored to voice a sentiment far more general than her own personal opinion, as well as her own feeling. It seemed to me that the expression of an opinion held by a large number of people should be allowed to appear in the Free Press, and I say this as a student to whom the article was submitted before its publication. It seemed to me then, also, that there was abroad in the college just such a spirit of protest as that article voiced and that such protest was worthy of attention. If justifiable, it certainly should have that privilege; if unjustifiable, it offered the opportunity for defense and explanation.

CLARA STANTON MORE, 1904.

IV.

It was only upon talking with a prominent member of the Athletic Association the other day, that I realized the advance that had been made in the organization and management of that branch of College activity. The management of the athletics of a college is a complicated matter and during this whole year it has received attention that has brought it to a new pitch of thoroughness and effectiveness. In voting for the officers of the Athletic Association for the coming year, it is hoped that the importance of such offices will be considered,—the fact, for instance, that upon the Vice-President of the Association, falls the entire management of Field Day, a task requiring decided executive ability.

1904.

V.

The Free Press article of two weeks ago dealing with the recent Student Government elections and contributed by the present writer, while strengthening the sentiment current about the methods used therein—as she wished it to do—has also been as she could not wish it to be—seriously misinterpreted in spirit and language by certain undergraduates and alumnæ. In the first place it is to be feared that the article itself was read to the exclusion of its editorial preface; thus the facts that the writer was non-partisan, not a member of any society, and that so her protest was not provoked by pique over the defeat of any candidate—these facts were disregarded, and in their place were circulated a host of false reports about its genesis which must have diminished its desired effect had the general sentiment of the college not taken account of the editorial voucher and imputed fair motives to the writer. For the most part, the "News" readers interpreted the article as it was intended, as a denunciation of the methods used so prominently in the election. Those methods were and are considered unworthy, and the article was directed against them and against whoever used them. If any person or group of persons resorted to unjustifiable means, prompted by any but the highest motives, to elect a candidate, but did it unconsciously, we wished to recall to them how harmful such a course is to the best interests of the Association; if such a course was resorted to deliberately in any cases, we were expressing the protest of the college against it. Our protest was directed not against any persons or organizations, except in so far as it dealt with us all as members of the Association. We emphasize this fact again because the article has been taken personally by a good many, taken to refer to individuals and to specific societies, as it did not and necessarily could not, being an article in print. If there be girls in the College who know that they did electioneer for any but ends worthy of Student Government, and who feel that their action has been adjudged by the article, that cannot be the affair of the writer—perhaps it but strengthens her position; if girls who did not do so and can honestly plead "Not Guilty," feel themselves attacked by it, that can be only to the regret of the writer. In no case does she feel herself responsible for unfair interpretations, or by reason of those interpretations obliged to go farther in her action. Facts are demanded; but such a demand has no justification if based—as it can only be—, on the article

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written a fortnight ago. If that article had mentioned persons or societies, these would be justified in demanding our facts, and they would be forthcoming, but since that was not done, those who consider themselves attacked can not expect us to publish the names and details demanded. That names and details to support the general charges are current in college by this time is well-known. Ever since election-day upper class girls have been hearing from Freshmen themselves numbers of confirmatory facts which are our best support. Even, however, if that article did justify a demand for facts, it would be difficult to give them in satisfactory form, since the girls who know them refuse to attach names—and that we understand is what is most urgently asked of us. If those Freshmen who are our ultimate sources for the facts do not come out in this column to affirm them, it is through no paucity of material.

Certain minor misunderstandings,—such as interpreting our reference to Tammany methods in New York to mean that there was actually bribery in the campaign—these are almost too unreasonable to comment on; yet they prevail among some readers of the article, and show the mistaken spirit in which it was read. It is to be heartily regretted that the protest was so read, for it seemed thus to injure willingly girls and societies who may be innocent. The writer iterates the principle expressed in it, not retreating from the position first taken, and she believes her principle and position to be just and to be those held by the majority of the college. ELIZABETH D. CONOVER, 1903.

## College Settlement Notes.

On May the 2d, the Electoral Board of the College Settlement Association met at the New York Settlement, 95 Rivington street, for the semi-annual business meeting. Representatives were present from Smith, Mt. Holyoke, Vassar, Barnard, Wellesley and various smaller colleges. The business of the meeting was the appointing of committees, the reading of reports and the making of appropriations. The matter of appropriating the funds of the Association which remained over and above the appropriations given to the houses in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, called forth an interesting discussion as to the aim of the Association. The sole aim, according to the usual conception, is the support of various houses in the slums of our great cities, where educated women may live among those who have had fewer advantages, and through classes, literary and industrial, and through personal intercourse give aid to their neighbors. The Association, however, has another branch of work which is as important, if not more so, than the classes in our Settlement houses. Each year we appropriate a certain amount of money for fellowships and scholarships. A few "fellows" and "scholars" are enabled by the financial aid given them by the Association to spend all their time for a year in making investigations of social conditions. For instance, this year one "fellow," Miss Kella, has been investigating the regulations of employment bureaus in New York and Chicago and has found many of them very corrupt. Now that she has actual statistics, she will show the result of her investigations to the officials of the states in which the bureaus are, pointing out wherein the laws of the state have been disobeyed, and showing how the laws might be improved. Such a work must be of benefit to all the country, both to the employed and the employers, and the Association is glad to be able to assist in forwarding such investigations.

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## ALUMNÆ NOTES.

Tree Day will occur on Friday, June 5. The Tree Day Exercises are not open to the public. Admission to the grounds on Tree Day will be by ticket issued only to former members of the College. Any former member of the College who wishes a ticket should apply to the Registrar, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope. These tickets are not transferable.

Miss Julia Davenport Randall, '97, is studying Philosophy at Chicago University, and Miss Lydia Martin Smedley, 1902, is there, also, studying Geology and Botany.

Miss Frida M. Reynal, '97, will spend the summer in Germany.

Miss Miriam Berry Wood, 1902, is visiting in Brooklyn,

Miss Myra L. Boynton, '96, is teaching Sciences in Tongaloo University, Tongaloo, Mississippi.

Miss Edith Butler, '96, is teaching English at Rockford College, Illinois.

Miss Eunice Smith, '98, and Miss Ellen Smith, '98, arrived in Athens in May, after a camping trip through Palestine.

The following Wellesley Alumnæ are engaged in graduate work at Yale University: Miss Elizabeth F. Abbe, '88, in Greek; Miss Gertrude P. Cole, '1901, in Pedagogics; Miss Clara E. Emerson, '91, in English; and Miss Helen A. Merrill, '86, in Mathematics.

Miss Sarah Hadley, '96, is studying History at Columbia University.

Miss Amelia Hoyt, '96, is teaching at Houghton Seminary, Clinton, New York.

Miss Theresa Huntington, '96, who is now teaching at Euphrates College, Harpoot, Turkey, expects to spend the summer in Constantinople.

The Washington Wellesley Club has elected the following officers:—President, Miss Isabella Campbell, '94; Vice-President, Miss Grace Finney; Secretary, Miss Frida M. Raynal, '97 Treasurer, Doctor Julia M. Green, 93; Business Manager, Miss Katharine R. Elliott, '92.

Miss Helen Cogswell, formerly '03, under the name of Helen Hale, is scoring a great success in "Peggy from Paris," now at the Tremont Theatre in Boston.

Miss Marie L. Richards, formerly '93, will return to College next year as a special, taking violin lessons in Boston.

## ENGAGEMENTS.

Miss Caroline M. Crawford, 1892-3, to Mr. Harry Van Dyke Whitaker.

## MARRIED.

PALMER—LANE. May 12, 1903, at Andover, Massachusetts, Miss Bertha Palmer, '91, to Mr. William Coolidge Lane. At home Mondays in June and after October 1st., 19 Oxford street, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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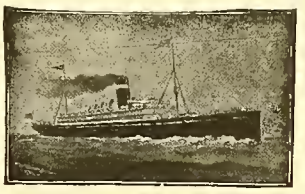

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Where fairy-folk in dancing hours
Burn stars for candle-light;

Where every wind and leaf can talk,
But no man understand,
Save one whose child-feet chanced to walk
Green paths of Fairy-land.

I followed two swift silver wings;
I stalked a roving song;
I startled shining, silent things;
I wandered all day long.

But when it seemed the shadowy hours
Whispered of soft-foot night,
I crept home to sweet common flowers,
Brown birds, and candle-light.

—May CENTURY.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

Mrs. B. P. Cheney, Sr., Miss Helen Temple Cooke, Mrs. Pauline A. Durant, Miss Caroline Hazard, Mrs. John D. Long, and Mrs Nathaniel B. Swift are to be the patronesses for Miss Gordon Walker, at her entertainment in the Wellesley Town Hall, May twenty-sixth.

The Department of Economics and Sociology receives from time to time inquiries for persons to fill positions of various sorts, secretarial, philanthropic, administrative or organizing, as well as educational. There are also occasionally scholarships or prizes which it would be glad to bring to the attention of suitable persons. Former students who might like to consider such offers are invited to keep the department informed with regard to their addresses, and also as to the kinds of positions in which they would be interested and their experience and qualifications therefor.

## Literary Notes.

The Macmillan Company announces for publication "Athletics and Out-Door Sports for Women" edited by Lucile Eaton Hill. The book consists of seventeen articles, each by a specialist in the sport described, with introduction and an article on Rowing by Miss Hill.

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